

REMARKS

Claims 5-10 are now pending in the application. Claim 8 has been amended pursuant to the Examiner's request and therefore should place Claims 8-10 in a condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection(s) in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF IDS REFERENCE

It has come to our attention that the six references on the IDS Form 1449, filed on March 21, 2002 were not initialed by the Examiner indicating that the references have been considered. We have enclosed a copy of the IDS Form 1449 for your convenience.

We would appreciate your initialing all six references and returning a copy of the initialed IDS Form 1449 to our office at your earliest opportunity.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the

Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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